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Chief, CFD

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Legal Staff

Transportation of Medical Patients Overseas.

1. Your memorandum of 5 October 1949 raised several questions which are going to require policy decisions. Pending a policy determination which should be made on submission of an Administrative Instruction now being drafted, we believe our memorandum enclosed herewith may be of some value in meeting practical problems in the interim.

2. These are the questions which will apparently require an answer on the basis of policy:

(a) Shall we follow the standards of the Foreign Service and/or the Bureau of Employees' Compensation in paying medical claims from unvouchered funds?

(b) Is there any objection to placing an employee in a sick leave status at the beginning of his travel, and charging sick leave when he is also in an official travel status?

3. In the specific case of [REDACTED], there does not appear to have been an attendant, and there is no legal reason why per diem could not have been paid during the course of her travel on TDY. Regarding the time that should be charged to sick leave, please refer to paragraph (c) on page two of our memorandum.

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